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SUBJECT: SHABA INCURSION: EXTENT OF US SUPPORT FOR
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A) STATE 127772, B) PARIS 16115, C) KINSHASA 5121

1. IN RESPONSE TO REF. A, GENERAL MERY INFORMED DATT
PARIS (PARA. 3, REF B) THAT HE SAW NO FURTHER REQUIREMENT
FOR US AIRLIFT SUPPORT AT THIS TIME. THIS REPLY, PLUS FACT
THAT PRESENT REQUEST (REF. C) FOR FURTHER LIFT COMES
THROUGH GOZ'S GENERAL BABIA, RAISES QUESTIONS AS TO A)

WHETHER IT IN FACT COMPRISES VALID FRENCH REQUEST AND B) IF SO, WHETHER FRENCH CONSIDER IT TO FALL IN "CRITICAL DEVELOPMENT" CATEGORY WHICH WE SPECIFIED (PARA 3, REF. A) AS CONDITION FOR CONSIDERING FURTHER REQUESTS.

2. EMBASSY PARIS REQUESTED TO BRING FOREGOING TO ATTENTION OF APPROPRIATE FRENCH AUTHORITIES AND INQUIRE AS TO WHETHER THEY WISH TO CONFIRM LIFT REQUEST AS CRITICAL. IN SO DOING, INSTRUCTIONS OF PARA. 3, REF. A CONTINUE TO APPLY.

3. FOR KINSHASA: WHILE AWAITING RESPONSE FROM PARIS WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHY FRENCH COULD NOT USE TRANSALL'S WE UNDERSTAND TO BE STILL IN COUNTRY.

SO FAR AS WE ARE AWARE THIS IS FIRST REFERENCE TO FRENCH USE OF KAMINA VICE LUBUMBASHI. WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HEARING MORE ON THIS. VANCE

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